

CHARLIE CRIST GOVERNOR

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared Nov. 15-19, 2010, as International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions of international education to building and strengthening mutual understanding with our neighbors around the globe; and

WHEREAS, international education includes thousands of public and private programs that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences, including study abroad programs with more than 8,000 students in Florida participating annually; and

WHEREAS, by participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures and are more prepared for living in a global environment; and

WHEREAS, we live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness, and national security;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charlie Crist, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing Nov. 15 – 19, 2010, as *International Education Week*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 29th day of October, in the year two thousand ten.

Governor